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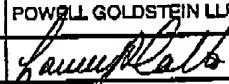
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Art Unit	3721
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Art Unit: 3721

Application No.: 09/990796

Examiner: Truong, T.K.

Filing Date: 14 November 2001

Confirmation No.: 3093

Title: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR  
PRODUCING PACKS WITH AN OUTER  
WRAPPER AS WELL AS REEL UNIT

Customer No.: 022870

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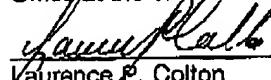
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**STATUS**

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application.

The Abstract has been objected to.

Claim 6 has been rejected under 35 USC 112.

Claims 1, 6, 21 and 22 have been rejected under 35 USC 103.

Claims 2-5 and 7-20 have been withdrawn from consideration.

**NO EXTENSION OF TIME**

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